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11 Sep 19

From: (b) (6)(b) (6) USN
To: Commander, Naval Service Training Command
Via: Commanding Officer, Recruit Training Command
Subj: LINE OF DUTY DETERMINATION ICO SR KELSY NOBLES, FOR INJURIES
SUSTAINED ON OR ABOUT 23 APRIL 2019

Ref: (a) JAGINST 5800.7F

Encl: (1) Appointing Order of 27 Jun 19
(2) Extension Letter of 25 Jul 19
(3) Email from (b) (7)(C) NCIS, of 22 Jul 19
(4) Coroner's Report
(5) Voluntary Statement from (b) (6) USN
(6) Voluntary Statement from (b) (6)(b) (6) USN
(7) Voluntary Statement from (b) (6)(b) (6) USN

Preliminary Statement

1. Pursuant to enclosure (1), and in accordance with reference (a), this line of duty investigation inquired into the facts and circumstances surrounding the death of SR Nobles, USN.
2. This investigation was delayed awaiting the release of information from the coroner's report. [Enclosure (2)]
3. During the course of this investigation I consulted with (b) (6)(b) (6) JAGC, USN; (b) (6) (b) (6) JAGC, USN; (b) (6) JAGC, USN; and (b) (6) JAGC, USN, of Region Legal Service Office Midwest.

Findings of Fact

1. On 23 April 2019, SR Nobles collapsed while taking her final Physical Fitness Test within Freedom Hall. SR Nobles was pronounced deceased at 1433, 23 April 2019. [Enclosures (3) & (4)]
2. Per the coroner's report, SR Nobles' cause of death was a cardiac arrhythmia due to myocarditis. [Enclosure (4)]
3. Per voluntary statement from Recruit Division Commander (b) (6) SR Nobles was a good Recruit with no issues that would suggest any concerns of intentional self-harm or misconduct prior to her Physical Fitness Test. [Enclosure (5)]

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4. Per voluntary statement from Safety Observer (b) (6)(b) (6) SR Nobles did not display any intentional self-harm or willful negligence to her own wellbeing during the Physical Fitness Test. [Enclosure (6)]

5. Per voluntary statement from on-site Corpsman (b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6) SR Nobles did not display any intentional self-harm or willful negligence to her own wellbeing during the Physical Fitness Test. [Enclosure (7)]

Opinions

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
RECRUIT TRAINING COMMAND
3355 ILLINOIS STREET
GREAT LAKES, IL 60088-3127

IN REPLY REFER TO
5830
Ser LGL/E3781
27 Jun 19

From: Commanding Officer, Recruit Training Command
To: (b) (6)(b) (6) USN

Subj: LINE OF DUTY DETERMINATION ICO SR KELSEY NOBLES, FOR INJURIES
SUSTAINED ON OR ABOUT 23 APRIL 2019

Ref: (a) JAGINST 5800.7F Part (E) (JAGMAN)

1. This appoints you, per reference (a), to conduct a line of duty determination into the death of SR Kelsey Nobles. SR Kelsey Nobles collapsed during physical training and was declared deceased on 23 April 2019.
2. Investigate the circumstances surrounding SR Kelsey Nobles' death. Make a determination as to whether her death occurred in the line of duty and whether her death was due to her misconduct. Report your findings to me by 8 July 2019. If you have not previously done so, read reference (a) in its entirety before beginning your investigation.
3. You may seek legal advice from the Recruit Training Command Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, (b) (6)(b) (6) during the course of your investigation. She may be reached at (b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6) or 847-688-4791 (b) (6)

(b) (6)
By direction

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Enclosure 1



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
RECRUIT TRAINING COMMAND
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IN REPLY REFER TO
5830
Ser LGL/E4524
25 Jul 19

From: Commanding Officer, Recruit Training Command
To: (b) (6)(b) (6) USN

Subj: LINE OF DUTY DETERMINATION ICO SR KELSEY NOBLES, FOR INJURIES
SUSTAINED ON OR ABOUT 23 APRIL 2019

Ref: (a) CO, RTC ltr Ser LGL/E3781 of 27 Jun 19

1. Per reference (a), you were appointed to conduct a line of duty determination into the death of SR Kelsey Nobles and report your findings by 8 July 2019. Due to the unavailability of the coroner's report, your new deadline to report your findings is 14 August 2019.
2. The point of contact for this matter is Recruit Training Command Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, (b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6). She may be reached at (b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6) or 847-688-4791 (b) (6).

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Enclosure 2

Prior to the final PFA I did not notice any difference in SR nobles. She was a good recruit with no issues. During the final lap of the PFA she slowed down and right before the finish line she fell down. At which point she tried to crawl to finish the PFA. She looked pale and stated she had trouble breathing. At which point medical attention was administered.

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OPERATING AS A SAFETY/INSTRUCTOR

I WITNESSED SR NOBLES FALL OUT ON
HER FINAL LAP OF HER OFFICIAL PFA

I DID NOT SEE ANY MISCONDUCT
OR WILLFUL NEGLIGENCE TO HER OWN
WELL BEING DURING PFA.

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Enclosure 6

(b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6) DID NOT SEE ANY MEANS OF
SELF HARM OR INTENT TO HARM HERSELF DURING, BEFORE
OR AFTER THE FINAL PFA BY SR. NOBLES. DURING
THE RUN SNM WAS PUSHING HERSELF JUST AS HARD
AS HER OTHER RECRUITS ON THE TRACK.

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